Williamsburg School District
Grades: PK-12   Enrollment: 5,405
Superintendent: Linda B. Huell, Interim
Board Chair: Rev. Norman Gamble

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD AND SILVER AWARD		AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
			General Performance	Closing the Gap		
2009	At-Risk	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2008	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA
2007	Below Average	At-Risk	N/A	N/A	Not Met	CA

ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF DISTRICTS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	0	0	4	0

Ratings are calculated with data available by 06/01/2010. Districts with Students Like Ours are Districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.

PASS

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above	% Met or above
District	62.6%	57.3%	47.6%	55.8%	60.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	55.8%	50.2%	44.6%	52.8%	53.0%
Average District	73.6%	70.5%	67.4%	72.2%	70.2%

PASS	2009 Reading	2009 Math	2009 Science	2009 Social Studies	2009 Writing
	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary	%Exemplary
District	20.8%	13.1%	6.0%	10.1%	17.8%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	17.3%	11.7%	6.2%	10.2%	14.6%
Average District	35.2%	28.8%	18.8%	28.5%	29.8%

HSAP

HSAP: 2nd Year Students	Passed 2 Subtests (%)	Passed 1 Subtest (%)	Passed No Subtests (%)
District	61.7%	18.7%	19.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	60.8%	20.4%	18.8%

HSAP Passage Rate by Spring 2009 (%)

District	88.9%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	89.6%

End of Course Test Passage Rate (%)

District	31.6
Districts with Students Like Ours**	39.9

On-Time Graduation Rate (%)

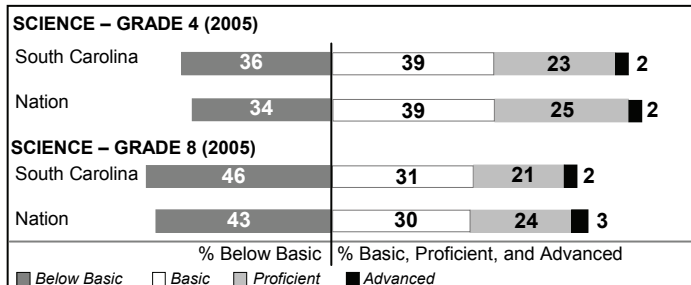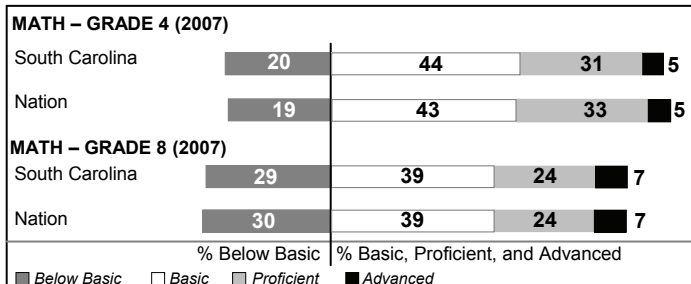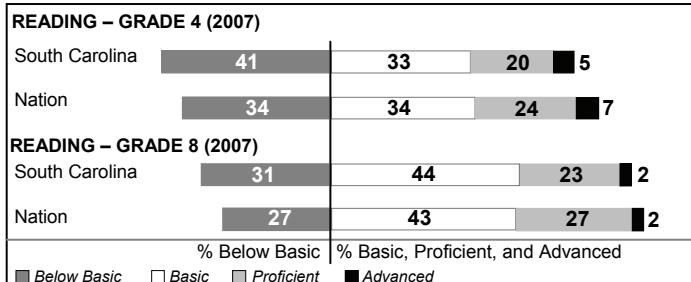|	
District	68.7%
Districts with Students Like Ours**	71.0%

** *Districts with Students Like Ours are districts with Poverty Indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this district.*

NAEP*

* *Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.*

READING – GRADE 4 (2007)
South Carolina: 41 | 33 | 20 | 5
Nation: 34 | 34 | 24 | 7

READING – GRADE 8 (2007)
South Carolina: 31 | 44 | 23 | 2
Nation: 27 | 43 | 27 | 2

% Below Basic | % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
■ Below Basic □ Basic ▨ Proficient ■ Advanced

MATH – GRADE 4 (2007)
South Carolina: 20 | 44 | 31 | 5
Nation: 19 | 43 | 33 | 5

MATH – GRADE 8 (2007)
South Carolina: 29 | 39 | 24 | 7
Nation: 30 | 39 | 24 | 7

% Below Basic | % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
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SCIENCE – GRADE 4 (2005)
South Carolina: 36 | 39 | 23 | 2
Nation: 34 | 39 | 25 | 2

SCIENCE – GRADE 8 (2005)
South Carolina: 46 | 31 | 21 | 2
Nation: 43 | 30 | 24 | 3

% Below Basic | % Basic, Proficient, and Advanced
■ Below Basic □ Basic ▨ Proficient ■ Advanced

SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:
By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Vision:
By 2020 all students will graduate with the knowledge and skills necessary to compete successfully in the global economy, participate in a democratic society and contribute positively as members of families and communities.

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DISTRICT PROFILE

	Our District	Change from Last Year	Districts with Students Like Ours	Median District
Students (n=5,405)				
Retention rate	4.3%	Up from 4.1%	3.8%	3.1%
Attendance rate	97.0%	Up from 96.2%	95.2%	95.7%
Eligible for gifted and talented	3.3%	Down from 4.0%	5.4%	11.2%
With disabilities other than speech	14.0%	Down from 15.2%	11.6%	10.6%
Older than usual for grade	5.5%	Up from 5.3%	5.8%	4.3%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent and/or criminal offenses	0.2%	Down from 0.7%	0.4%	0.5%
Enrolled in AP/IB programs	1.1%	Down from 1.9%	5.7%	10.5%
Successful on AP/IB exams	N/A	N/A	38.0%	51.2%
Eligible for LIFE Scholarship	31.4%	Up from 27.6%	28.9%	30.8%
Enrolled in adult education GED or diploma programs	120	Down from 170	19	40
Completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	14	Down from 18	11	30
Annual dropout rate	0.8%	Up from 0.5%	3.4%	3.4%
Teachers (n=366)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	53.8%	Down from 56.7%	53.8%	56.8%
Continuing contract teachers	52.7%	Down from 58.1%	61.2%	76.7%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	22.8%	Up from 21.8%	11.9%	4.6%
Teachers returning from previous year	83.7%	Down from 84.9%	81.0%	88.4%
Teacher attendance rate	96.3%	Up from 94.3%	95.0%	95.0%
Average teacher salary*	$42,867	Up 1.9%	$44,158	$46,992
Vacancies for more than nine weeks	2.7%	Down from 5.2%	2.1%	0.4%
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	11.0%	Down from 14.3%	7.3%	2.3%
Professional development days/teacher	14.1 days	Down from 16.7 days	13.1 days	13.1 days
District				
Superintendent's years at district	4.0	Up from 3.0	3.0	3.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	21.7 to 1	Down from 22.2 to 1	19.0 to 1	20.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	92.5%	Up from 89.2%	88.9%	89.8%
Dollars spent per pupil**	$10,140	Up 10.2%	$11,349	$9,279
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries**	48.1%	Down from 48.6%	47.3%	52.7%
Percent of expenditures for instruction**	52.1%	Down from 52.8%	52.1%	56.7%
Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	No Change	Good	Excellent
Number of schools	13	Down from 14	4	9
Portable classrooms	1.2%	Up from 0.9%	5.3%	3.5%
Average age in years of school facilities	34 Years	Down from 38 Years	33 Years	28 Years
Number of schools with SACS accreditation	12.0	Down from 13.0	4.0	8.0
Parents attending conferences	93.3%	N/A	91.5%	93.9%
Average administrator salary	$72,346	Up 3.2%	$74,796	$79,261
Number of charter schools	1	No Change	0	0
% of AYP objectives met	81.0%	Up from 57.1%	61.9%	85.7%

* Length of contract = 185+ days.

** Prior year audited financial data available.

CHARTER SCHOOLS IN DISTRICT

School Name	Absolute Rating	Growth Rating	Adequate Yearly Progress
Youth Academy Charter	N/A	N/A	Not Met

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REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT

We are proud of the hard work our principals, teachers, staff, students, parents, and community members have accomplished this school year: Through their combined efforts, we have improved our instructional department.

Williamsburg County School District is located in a rural community comprised of three high schools, one junior high school, seven elementary schools, one charter school, and a career and technology center.

Our district continues to support our teachers and students by providing professional development, relevant resources, innovative strategies, and best instructional practices. We have implemented effective research-based instructional programs in all schools that enhance our current curriculum and more effectively prepare students for success.

Williamsburg County School District continues to develop opportunities that challenge diverse learners. Our curriculum is closely monitored to ensure its alignment with the most current South Carolina Curriculum Standards for each grade level and subject area.

Together, we will continue to meet and exceed district and state-wide goals. We will encourage all students in our district to maximize their potentials as they prepare to become self-sufficient adults.

Respectfully submitted,

Ralph C. Fennell, Jr.
Superintendent